

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN**

PHILIP LEE; PAMELA WHITE;  
PATRICIA VANDUSEN; RONALD  
ALLIX; and RANDY WELCH,  
individually and on behalf of all others  
similarly situated,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
BELVOIR MEDIA GROUP, LLC,  
Defendant.

**DEFENDANT’S MOTION TO**  
**STAY MATTER PENDING MEDIATION**

Defendant Belvoir Media Group, LLC (“Defendant”), by and through its counsel, hereby moves the Court as follows:

1. Currently pending before this Court is Plaintiffs' Motion for Leave to File Second Amended Class Action Complaint.
2. Plaintiffs and Defendant have reached an agreement to mediate this matter with Jill Sperber, Esq. of Judicate West, 1925 Century Park East, Suite 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90067.
3. Based upon the availability of Ms. Sperber, the parties, and counsel, the mediation is scheduled for May 22, 2024.

4. In light of the above, and for efficiency purposes, Defendant hereby requests this matter be stayed, including any decision concerning Plaintiffs' pending Motion, until after the mediation takes place.

5. On March 18, 2024, the parties met and conferred on the relief requested in this Motion. Plaintiffs take no position in the relief requested in the Motion.

WHEREFORE, Defendant respectfully requests that this matter be stayed until a date set by the Court within a reasonable time after the parties' May 22, 2024 mediation, and that the Court grant all other relief deemed necessary and appropriate.

Date: March 19, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
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BELVOIR MEDIA GROUP, LLC,	)	
Defendant.	)	
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**BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT’S MOTION TO  
STAY MATTER PENDING MEDIATION**

**ISSUE PRESENTED**

Should this matter be stayed until a date set by the Court within a reasonable time after the parties' May 22, 2024 mediation?

Defendant Responds: Yes

**CONTROLLING OR MOST APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY**

Fed.R.Civ.P. 16(b)(4)

*Dietz v. Bouldin*, 579 U.S. 40 (2016)

**ARGUMENT**

Pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 16(b)(4), “A schedule may be modified only for good cause and with the judge’s consent.” Further, “[D]istrict courts have the inherent authority to manage their dockets and courtrooms with a view toward the efficient and expedient resolution of cases.” *Dietz v. Bouldin*, 579 U.S. 40, 47 (2016).

The parties will be mediating on May 22, 2024. In light of this upcoming mediation, a stay is appropriate so the Court and the parties do not have to expend time and resources on this matter in the interim, including efforts related to Plaintiffs’ pending Motion for Leave to File Second Amended Class Action Complaint.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on March 19, 2024, I electronically filed the foregoing paper with the Clerk of the Court using the ECF system which will send notification of such filing to all attorneys of record.

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